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IMPLEMENTING SAME AND MEDIUM CONTAINING PROCESSING  
PROGRAM THEREOF

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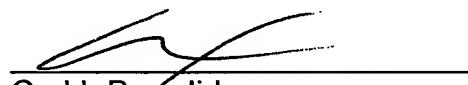
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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**"Datalinks: Managing External Data with DB2 Universal Database" by InfoIT, Inc., August 1997, pp. 10-11.**

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